Royalston Historic District Commission

Royalston, Massachusetts, 01368

Working Together to Preserve Yesterday for Tomorrow.

MINUTES

Date: May 15, 1997

Attenders: Mark Smith, Andy West, Rick Carrier, Patience Bundschuh, and Peter Kraniak, Karen Pickford (guest)

Meeting called to order at 7:42pm

Minutes from March 20, 1997 approved unanimously as read. Minutes from April 17, 1997 approved unanimously as amended.

Old Business

Andy West contacted the a rep from Mass Electric concerning the changing of our antique street lights to vapor lights. The reps interpretation of the agreement with the HDC was that as the old lights fail they would be replaced with vapor lights. Andy West told him this is unacceptable. Andy West will check with John McClure regarding the exact agreement that was made. A discussion concerning the lights followed. The letters to and from Mass Electric were reviewed. Andy West will contact the Mass Historic Commission regarding this issue to see if there are any similar situations. Karen Pickford will bring in a catalog with antique public lighting.

Andy West said that the Historic District signs examy other items were not on the warrant. Budget items were on warrant but are tabled till next meeting.

At the special Town meeting.

Andy West reported there is a DPW supervisor. He will get him information on the HDC.

John Poor reported there is money in the town budget for public buildings and the town hall painting is included in that.

Andy West stated that the date plaques for the town buildings were not on the warrant and that he will speak to the Selectmen about them.

Andy West will call Ed Wheeler regarding a plaque for the parsonage.

New Business

Rick Carrier stated he has a resignation letter from Lorianne Casinghino.

Mark Smith presented an after-the-fact application for a stone retention wall for his driveway. Peter Kraniak made a motion to accept. Seconded and approved unanimously 4-0. Cert. #9-97

Karen Pickford came to the commission with questions regarding future work to be done on her home. Discussions followed regarding suggestions for lighting, shutters, fencing and windows.

Stephen Chase presented an application for 5 Frye Hill Road. The application was denied for lack of measurements, and details on railings of porch, Also porch color. Peter Kraniak made a motion that if Mr. Chase wants to get started right away, we will reconvene at his house after Mr. Chase revises the application. Approved unanimously.

*The application make changes/rehab to the early 20th centry house.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Respectfully submitted

Mark D. Smith

Secretary